

tension is applied to said rope in one direction, said rope is seized between said cam surface and abutment surface by said cam rotating toward said abutment and when tension is applied to said rope in an opposite direction, said rope is released from between said cam surface and and abutment surface permitting withdrawal of said rope;

a cover means for retaining said rope that has been looped around said abutment means and extends in a direction from whence it came.

#### REMARKS

Reconsideration and reexamination of this application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1 - 3, 5 - 8, 10, 14, 15 are allowd.

Claims 9, 11-13, 16 have been amended to overcome the rejection under 34 U.S.C. 112.

Allowance of all remaining claims is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted.

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